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M.L.**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of:

Docket No.: 2814-G

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Serial No.: --to be assigned--

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For: CYTOKINES THAT BIND THE CELL SURFACE RECEPTOR HEK

**For Prior Application**Examiner: P. Mertz  
Art Unit: 1646**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows, prior to examination thereof:

**In the Specification:**

This application is divisional of application Serial No 09/358,734, filed July 21, 1999, currently allowed, which is a divisional of application Serial No 09/057,121, filed April 8, 1998, now U.S. Patent 5,969,110, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 08/453,943, filed May 30, 1995, now U.S. Patent 5,738,844, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 08/240,124, filed May 9, 1994, now U.S. Patent 5,516,658, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/161,132, filed December 3, 1993, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/114,426, filed August 30, 1993, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/109,745, filed August 20, 1993, now abandoned,

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 6 and 16-27 without prejudice.